

Regular Meeting Agenda Owosso DDA/Main Street

Wednesday May 6, 2015, 7:30 a.m. Owosso City Council Chambers, 301 W Main St. Owosso, MI 48867

7:30 to 7:40 Call to order and roll call:

Review and approval of agenda: May 6, 2015

Review and approval of minutes: April 1, 2015 & April 27, 2015 (Special Meeting)

Public Comments:

7:40 to 8:00 Committee Updates

- 1) Design
- 2) Economic Restructuring
- 3) Organization
- 4) Promotion

8:00 to 8:30 Items of Business:

Public Comments:

Board Comments:

Adjournment:

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Meeting Minutes 4/1/15 – Regular Meeting 4/27/15 – Special Meeting



REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OWOSSO DDA / MAIN STREET Council Chambers, City Hall April 1, 2015 – 7:30 am.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER at 7:52 a.m. by Alaina Kraus.

ROLL CALL was taken by Secretary Alaina Kraus.

MEMBERS PRESENT:, Authority Members Ken Cushman, Dawn Gonyou, Lance Omer, Kevin Wiles and Secretary Alaina Kraus

MEMBERS ABSENT: Chairman Dave Acton & Authority Members Benjamin Frederick, Meredith Landino, Bill Gilbert,

OTHERS PRESENT: Susan Montenegro, City of Owosso; Helen Granger, press; Carol Flayer, Kiwanis

AGENDA:

MOTION BY AUTHORITY MEMBER CUSHMAN SUPPORTED BY AUTHORITY MEMBER GONYOU TO APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR APRIL 1, 2015. YEAS ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

MINUTES:

MOTION BY AUTHORITY MEMBER GONYOU, SUPPORTED BY AUTHORITY MEMBER CUSHMAN TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF MARCH 4, 2014. YEAS ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC / BOARD / STAFF COMMENTS:

Carol Flayer of Kiwanis. Kiwanis One Day clean-up us April 11th and will be continuing to clean the James S. Miner trail. Community involvement is encouraged and will be dry. Lunch will be provided at the end of the work period. One Day is an international day. Meetings are Tuesday evenings in the Mitchell Auditorium at Memorial Healthcare. The trail tending will stay on the north side of the river.

COMMITTEE UPDATES

Included later in agenda.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

1. CHECK REGISTER APPROVAL.

SEE BOARD PACKET FOR CHECK REGISTER

MOTION BY AUTHORITY MEMBER CUSHMAN, SUPPORTED BY AUTHORITY MEMBER OMER TO APPROVE THE CHECK REGISTER FOR MARCH 2014 AS PRESENTED. YEAS ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

2. BUDGET REPORT

Any applicable 2015/2016 fundraising information will be added from work plans as needed.

3. 2015/2016 WORK PLAN APPROVAL

Organization - Kraus

Brittany from Michigan Main Street visited the meeting to make sure all was in line with remediation proceedings and to give a state perspective.

Party in the Plaza: a party to recognize volunteers and encourage ongoing involvement Volunteer Recruitment & Retention Plan: Improve volunteer database, hours tracking, communication and engagement

Website & Facebook Campaign 2015/2016: Continue improving website and building community on Facebook

Decorate Downtown: prep downtown for the winter holidays

Expo 2016: Offering a downtown area, potentially looking like a street down one aisle of the expo

Fundraising Plan: focusing on organization of fundraising efforts first and then moving on to other ways to generate them as time allows

OMS Newsletter: a bi-monthly newsletter reborn

<u>Design - Montenegro</u>

Bike Racks: Finish bike racks, contacting Baker to find and complete original plans

Facade: work with business owners to improve appearances

Historical drinking glasses: going well

Flower plan: money has decreased bringing it more in line with other budgets and will still look good

I Spy: architectural pictures that can be put in a booklet and online for kids & families Wayfinding: 6 of 12 signs spoken for and money coming in waiting for the ground to thaw

Promotions - Kraus

Continuation of annual events cycle - GLOW Owosso, ArtWalk, Second Fridays, Tour Our Town, Sidewalk Sales/Sidewalk Chalk, Downtown Clean-up, Owossopalooza Also, the promotion of success stories downtown.

Dates need to be updated for the 2015/2016 year.

ER - Omer

Consolidated to five plans to satisfy our needs and those of the state.

Business Visitation: support team visits to local businesses Mentoring: sharing market study and identifying other needs

Property Owner: connecting with property owners Retail Recruitment Team: to recruit to fill empty spaces

Window Decals: to beautify empty spaces

MOTION BY AUTHORITY MEMBER WILES, SUPPORTED BY AUTHORITY MEMBER CUSHMAN TO APPROVE THE WORK PLANS WITH THE DATES AMENDED FOR PROMOTIONS.

YEAS ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

4. WESENER DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

Going through the documents again and will call a special meeting once it is complete. Language has been added to protect the City and Adams. Montenegro pointed out using the Lebowsky as an inspiration for this project.

PUBLIC / BOARD / STAFF COMMENTS:

Michigan AACTfest was in Owosso last weekend bringing in competing teams from Escanaba, South Haven, Holland, Rosedale, Farmington, Lansing, Midland, and Tawas. Each theatre had 10 minutes to set up, 60 minutes to perform, 10 minutes to tear down, and a 10x10 square their set had to fit into. Visiting teams stayed at the Comstock and were positive about their experience and visiting Owosso.

MOTION MADE BY GONYOU, SUPPORTED BY AUTHORITY MEMBER CUSHMAN TO ADJOURN AT 8:27 AM.
YEAS ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

Alaina Kraus, Secretary		

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES OWOSSO DDA / MAIN STREET Council Chambers, City Hall April 27, 2015 – 7:30 am.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER at 7:40 a.m. by Bill Gilbert.

Josh Adams introduced Char Haskins as a new board member. A formal introduction will be at the regular board meeting.

ROLL CALL was taken by Secretary Alaina Kraus.

MEMBERS PRESENT:, Authority Members Ken Cushman, Dawn Gonyou, Bill Gilbert, Kevin Wiles, Benjamin Frederick (7:44) and Secretary Alaina Kraus

MEMBERS ABSENT: Chairman Dave Acton & Authority Member Lance Omer

OTHERS PRESENT: Susan Montenegro, City of Owosso; Josh Adams, Main Street Manager; Bill Brown, City Attorney

PUBLIC / BOARD / STAFF COMMENTS: None

ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

1. WESENER DEVELOPMENT (104-108 N WASHINGTON)

The property owner, Rock Solid Associates LLC, was advanced \$50,000 in 2007 for on-site demolition, blight removal, etc. as a result of the fire earlier that year. This debt was assumed by Wesener Building in 2013 with the purchase of the building.

This began compounding interest on December 31, 2013, to be paid annually on December 1st over the course of 10 years. The first payment made out of pocket by the owner for the 2014 year.

The subordination agreement says that the \$50,000 can't be closed until the 1.2 million loan to Bank of Holland is paid as it would take precedence. Brown said he has never seen a provision quite like this before, but it would not make sense for the owner to foreclosure on our debt with the much larger debt already incurred.

This would not stop payments from being made, but permission will have to be given by Bank of Holland for payments to be made and debt ratio must be maintained. There is no reason to believe this will be a problem.

MOTION BY AUTHORITY MEMBER CUSHMAN SUPPORTED BY AUTHORITY MEMBER WILES TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT AS PRESENTED.

YEAS ALL. MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC / BOARD / STAFF COMMENTS: None
MOTION MADE BY KRAUS, SUPPORTED BY AUTHORITY MEMBER FREDERICK TO ADJOURN AT 7:52 AM. YEAS ALL. MOTION CARRIED.
Alaina Kraus, Secretary

April Check Register
By Check Number



Owosso Main Street Check Register - By Check Number April 2015

Num	Date	Name	Memo	Account	Paid Amount
2104	04/10/2015	City of Owosso	Copies & Electrical Work	296-000-101.250 Checking #0425	
	04/08/2015		Copies Electrical Work	296-200-728.000 OPER SUPPLIES 296-200-831.000 MAINTENANCE	-118.03 -65.00
TOTAL			Electrical Work	250 260 001.000 WWW.TELWWOL	-183.03
2105	04/10/2015	Gilbert's Do It Best	Evening Shopping Supplies	296-000-101.250 Checking #0425	
	04/08/2015		Evening Shopping Supplies	296-695-818.000-BUSSTEWARD	-101.80
TOTAL					-101.80
2106	04/10/2015	Kelly's Refuse	Downtown Trash Service	296-000-101.250 Checking #0425	
	04/08/2015		Trash Service 3/1/15 to 3/31/15	296-200-831.000 MAINTENANCE	-500.00
TOTAL					-500.00
2107	04/10/2015	Joshua Adams	Manager Wages	296-000-101.250 Checking #0425	
	04/08/2015		Manager Wages 3/27/15 to 4/10/15	296-200-999.101 MANAGER WAGES	-2,115.38
TOTAL					-2,115.38
2108	04/24/2015	DayStarr Communication	Phone forwarding services	296-000-101.250 Checking #0425	
	04/21/2015		Phone Forwarding services 5/1/1	296-200-728.000 OPER SUPPLIES	-15.19
TOTAL					-15.19
2109	04/24/2015	Joshua Adams	Manager Wages	296-000-101.250 Checking #0425	
	04/21/2015		Manager wages 4/10/15 to 4/24/15	296-200-999.101 MANAGER WAGES	-2,115.38
TOTAL					-2,115.38

April Check RegisterBy Account Number



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Owosso Main Street Check Register - By Account Number April 2015

Туре	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Paid Amount	Balance
Exper	Income/Expensense nse EP 200 GEN SER					
Bill Bill	296-200-728.00 0 04/10/2015 04/24/2015	OPER SUPI	PLIES City of Owosso DayStarr Communication	Copies Phone Forwarding services 5/1/15	118.03 15.19	118.03 133.22
	Total 296-200-72	28.000 OPER	SUPPLIES		133.22	133.22
Bill Bill	296-200-831.000 04/10/2015 04/10/2015		NCE City of Owosso Kelly's Refuse	Electrical Work Trash Service 3/1/15 to 3/31/15	65.00 500.00	65.00 565.00
	Total 296-200-83	31.000 MAINT	ENANCE		565.00	565.00
Bill Bill	296-200-999.10 2 04/10/2015 04/24/2015		WAGES Joshua Adams Joshua Adams	Manager Wages 3/27/15 to 4/10/15 Manager wages 4/10/15 to 4/24/15	2,115.38 2,115.38	2,115.38 4,230.76
	Total 296-200-99	99.101 MANA	GER WAGES		4,230.76	4,230.76
То	tal DEP 200 GEN	SERVICES			4,928.98	4,928.98
		ORG WK PI	LNS EWARD			
Bill	04/10/2015		Gilbert's Do It Best	Evening Shopping Supplies	101.80	101.80
	Total 296-69	5-818.000-BU	SSTEWARD		101.80	101.80
	Total 296-695-8	18.000 ORG V	VK PLNS		101.80	101.80
То	tal DEP 695 ORG	SANIZATION	EXPENSES		101.80	101.80
Total I	Expense				5,030.78	5,030.78
Net Ordin	ary Income				-5,030.78	-5,030.78
Income					-5,030.78	-5,030.78

April Budget Report Year-to-Date



Owosso Main Street Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual July 2014 through April 2015

	Jul '14 - Apr 15	Budget	\$ Over Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
296-000-401.403 GEN PROP TAX	32,019.73	27,700.00	4,319.73
296-000-401.405 TIF	156,889.64	149,300.00	7,589.64
296-000-671.676 DESIGN INCOME			
296-000-671.676-FLOWER PROGRAM	2,136.00	0.00	2,136.00
296-000-671.676-WAYFINDING	9,000.00		
Total 296-000-671.676 DESIGN INCOME	11,136.00	0.00	11,136.00
296-000-671.678 PRO INCOME			
296-000-671.678-ARTWALK	560.00		
296-000-671.678-GLOW	6,310.75		
296-000-671.678-MKTCAMP	250.00		
Total 296-000-671.678 PRO INCOME	7,120.75		
296-000-671.679 ORG INCOME			
296-000-671.679-BUSSTEWARD	185.00		
Total 296-000-671.679 ORG INCOME	185.00		
296-000-671.694 MISC	18.17		
296-000-695.699 FUND BALANCE	6,793.40		
Total Income	214,162.69	177,000.00	37,162.69

Net Income

Owosso Main Street Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual July 2014 through April 2015

	Jul '14 - Apr 15	Budget	\$ Over Budget
Expense			
DEP 200 GEN SERVICES			
296-200-728.000 OPER SUPPLIES	907.03	1,000.00	-92.97
296-200-818.000 CONTRACT SER	3,055.00	2,800.00	255.00
296-200-831.000 MAINTENANCE	13,232.30	17,000.00	-3,767.70
296-200-858.000 MEMBER + DUES	489.00	500.00	-11.00
296-200-860.000 ED + TRAINING	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00
296-200-999.101 MANAGER WAGES	44,422.98	55,000.00	-10,577.02
Total DEP 200 GEN SERVICES	62,106.31	77,300.00	-15,193.69
DEP 695 ORGANIZATION EXPENSES			
296-695-728.000 OPER SUPPLIES	184.22		
296-695-818.000 ORG WK PLNS			
296-695-818.000-BUSSTEWARD	562.80		
Total 296-695-818.000 ORG WK PLNS	562.80	0.00	562.80
DEP 695 ORGANIZATION EXPENSES - Other	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.0
Total DEP 695 ORGANIZATION EXPENSES	747.02	1,000.00	-252.9
DEP 696 PROMOTION EXPENSES			
296-696-818.000 PRO WK PLNS			
296-696-818.000-ARTWALK	525.25	0.00	525.2
296-696-818.000-GLOW	7,812.06	6,000.00	1,812.0
Total 296-696-818.000 PRO WK PLNS	8,337.31	6,000.00	2,337.3
Total DEP 696 PROMOTION EXPENSES	8,337.31	6,000.00	2,337.3
DEP 697 DESIGN EXPENSES			
296-697-818.000 DES WK PLNS			
296-697-818.000-CHRISTMAS	605.00	0.00	605.0
296-697-818.000-FLOWER PROGRAM	000.00	0.00	000.0
296-697-818.000-BASKETS	25.98	0.00	25.9
296-697-818.000-BED PLANTS	123.83	0.00	123.8
296-697-818.000-BED FEANTS 296-697-818.000-FLOWER PROGRAM - Other	881.40	6,800.00	-5,918.6
Total 296-697-818.000-FLOWER PROGRAM	1,031.21	6,800.00	-5,768.7
Total 296-697-818.000 DES WK PLNS	1,636.21		
Total DEP 697 DESIGN EXPENSES	1,636.21	6,800.00 6,800.00	-5,163.7 -5,163.7
DEP 698 ER EXPENSES 296-698-818.000 ER WK PLNS			
296-698-818.000-BUSXPROMO	75.20		
296-698-818.000 ER WK PLNS - Other	0.00	500.00	-500.0
Total 296-698-818.000 ER WK PLNS	75.20	500.00	-424.8
Total DEP 698 ER EXPENSES	75.20	500.00	-424.8
DEP 901 - CAPITAL OUTLAY			
296-901-965.730 CAPITOL BOWL	0.00	10,000.00	-10,000.0
Total DEP 901 - CAPITAL OUTLAY	0.00	10,000.00	-10,000.0
DEP 966 TRANSFER OUT			
296-966-999.397 SIDEWALK FUND	74,035.00	75,400.00	-1,365.0
Total DEP 966 TRANSFER OUT	74,035.00	75,400.00	-1,365.0
Total Expense	146,937.05	177,000.00	-30,062.9
			67.005.6
Ordinary Income	67,225.64	0.00	67,225.64

Unpaid Bills As of 5/4/15



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Owosso Main Street Unpaid Bills Detail As of May 4, 2015

Туре	Date	Num	Due Date	Aging	Open Balance
Joshua Adams Bill	05/04/2015		05/08/2015		2,115.38
Total Joshua Adams					2,115.38
Kelly's Refuse Bill	05/04/2015		05/10/2015		500.00
Total Kelly's Refuse					500.00
TOTAL					2,615.38

Checking Account Balance As of 5/4/15



Owosso Main Street Checking Account Balance As of Monday, May 4, 2015

Checking Account = **\$92,191.75**

Committee Meeting Notes

Organization Promotion Design Economic Restructuring





MEETING NOTES

Organization Committee Meeting Notes

Wednesday, April 15, 2015

10:00am - 11:00am @ Owosso Main Street Office

Purpose of Meeting: Regular, Monthly Meeting	Attendees:
	Alaina Kraus
Notes Prepared By: Alaina Kraus & Josh Adams	Josh Adams
	Meredith Landino
	Krista Welte
Additional Information: None	

Notes: The meeting started out with a review of the 2015/2016 Work Plans that were recently approved by the Board of Directors.

Due to all current work plans being complete the committee discussed the addition of two new work plans to implement during the 14/15 year (ending in June). The work plans considered are: the creation of a Owosso Main Street phone app and a volunteer appreciation party called Party in the Plaza. The Phone App will not take any funds from the current budget. The committee agreed to use its remaining \$600 budget to have a volunteer appreciation party (which has not been done in years). The committee will seek board approval for these additional work plans during the next meeting.

OWOSSO MAIN STREET PHONE/TABLET APP:

- The committee took a large part of the meeting time to discuss the content that will be in the new app, as well as discussing the ways in which we can promote the use of the app once it is completed.
- We reviewed the current prototype created by GoMobile Solutions to decide what additional content should be added. That is listed below:
 - The Business Directory Categories should look like our website Eat, Play, Stay, Shop, and Services.
 - The title page should have "Sponsorship" and "More" added to it. The "Get Involved" button should have two buttons within it: "Sign-up Form" and "Volunteer Hours".
- We agreed that the drop-down menu on the title page should be removed and replaced with the 5 buttons we liked (About Us; Business Directory; Contact Us; Sponsorships; and More.
- We agreed that OMS should have its own "Developer Account" (a \$100 cost) because this will allow us to expand this work plan into a fund generation tool (by helping downtown businesses develop their own apps).
- We agreed that the sponsorship section will be the key in maintaining the \$40 a month required for GoMobile Solutions to regularly update the app. We can charge from \$50 to \$100 per year to be an App Sponsor. The committee will be finding ways to package the sponsorship deals to present to downtown stakeholders.

PARTY IN THE PLAZA:

- The committee used this meeting to brainstorm initial ideas for this volunteer appreciation event.
- We agreed that the event should take place in late-June or mid-July. It will be held on a Tuesday evening from 7pm to 9pm.
- We will be seeking food and seating donations from local businesses
- Decorations: We can use the tiki-torches from our evening shopping event to light the area (even though it will probably still be light out).
- We want this event to have a "party" atmosphere. Family-friendly and very laid-back.
- We discussed having a kid's area to help with parents: Bounce house; face painting, etc...
- We agreed that having awards, goodie bags, and other giveaways would be a nice touch. We just need to figure out what the award categories would be.

The committee agreed to go back to meeting on the 3rd Wednesday of each month from 10am-11am. Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, May 20th.

Action Items: Action:	Assigned to:	Due Date:
Coordinate App changes with GoMobile Solutions	Meredith	5/1/15
Write new Work Plans for new activities	Alaina & Josh	5/1/15
Talk to possible food donors	Josh	5/8/15
Create guest list and invitations	Committee	5/8/15
Decide on award categories	Committee	5/20/15
Find kid's activities and giveaway donors	Committee	5/20/15



MEETING NOTES

Promotion Committee Meeting Notes

Wednesday, April 29, 2015

8:00am - 9:30am @ Owosso City Hall (Lower-level Conference Room)

Purpose of Meeting: Regular, Monthly Meeting	Attendees:
Notes Prepared By: Josh Adams	John Hankerd Josh Adams
	Kim Springsdorf
	Sue Treen
Additional Information: None	Tracey Peltier
	Kevin Wiles
	Robert Doran

Notes:

PROMOTION WORK PLAN UPDATES:

- Evening Shopping = Mother's Night Out things are on schedule for May 8th.
- Downtown Cleanup = Collaboration with Organization Design is also helping to add to our "To Do" List.
 Susan Montenegro (Design) & Meredith Landino (Org) have found sponsors and a lunch location. John (Promo) will be helping organize the tear down of Christmas lights & light storage.
- TOT = The sub-committee is currently meeting on a monthly basis. They have received a \$500 grant from the Cook Family Foundation (check will be written to the SVB) to help fund the Work Plan. OMS will hopefully be helping in funding the event this year with a \$500.00 donation.
- Sidewalk sales = John is waiting to hear back from JCPenny's as we plan this event around their sidewalk sales. Upon receiving the date of their sales we will start promotion of the local sales and the sidewalk chalk contest.
- Artwalk = The sub-committee is meeting on a monthly basis. LAFCU has agreed to a \$1,000.00 sponsorship. This is a huge help to move this event forward! OMS will hopefully be helping in funding the event this year with a \$500.00 donation.
- Owossopalooza = This event needs a new Work Plan Manager. John & Josh will be working with Chemical Bank and Baker College to find that right person.
- Decorate Downtown = Sub-committee is not meeting yet.
- Glow Owosso = Sub-committee is not meeting yet.

PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS:

The committee talked in detail about developing new promotional materials and signage to aid in promoting our already existing events and outings. Our goal would be two fold: to help better educate current participants of our events, and to create a more regional marketing presence.

Kim offered to talk with Heather Brooks with Brooks Graphics to develop some draft informational materials (dining map, shopping map, attraction map, etc...). We are looking for a design that is fun, but contemporary.

The committee talked about making an aggressive move toward creating new sandwich board signs (30) for event promotion. Kim agreed to talk with Valley Lumber about a possible wood sponsorship. Josh agreed to talk with Gilbert's about a hardware sponsorship. Tracy agreed to have a "broad-making" day at the Farmer's Market to help with assembling & painting the signs, as well as promoting our sponsors. Once the sponsorships are acquired – we will set the market date. Signs will have "Discover Owosso" on them along with a finger pointing them in a direction (like the old Artwalk signs). These will help with advertising events throughout town.

The committee talked about the possibility of using the vacant windows in the Matthews Building to help promote Downtown events (via a large painting) – over 42,000 cars travel down Main Street every day and this large mural would act like a billboard to communicate the Farmer's Market and Second Saturday's. The building owner (Randy Woodworth) needs to be contacted for permission. Josh Richey needs to be contacted about creating the mural.

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, June 24th.

Action Items:		
Action:	Assigned to:	Due Date:
Contact graphic artists about map "mock-ups"	Josh & Kim	5/31/15
Talk to Randy Woodworth about building windows	Kim	5/8/15
Talk to Josh Richey about painting	Tracey	5/8/15
Contact JCPenny's about sidewalk sales	John	5/4/15
Talk to Valley Lumber about wood	Kim	5/15/15
Talk to Gilbert's about hardware & paint	Josh	5/15/15
Set-up Market date for sign building & promotion	Tracey & John	5/18/15



MEETING NOTES

Design Committee Meeting Notes

Tuesday, April 21, 2015

8:45am - 10:00am @ City Hall: Lower-level Conference Room

Purpose of Meeting: Regular, Monthly Meeting	Attendees:
Notes Prepared By: Lorraine Weckwert	Bill Gilbert
Notes Prepared by. Lorraine Weckwert	Josh Adams
	Lorraine Weckwert
	Thomas Ainsworth
Additional Information: None	Schaffer Fox
	Susan Montenegro
Additional Information: None	Thomas Ainsworth Schaffer Fox

Notes:

WAY-FINDING SIGNS:

Funds for 6 way-finding signs have been acquired (insert & pole costs). Josh will be contacting Agnew for a new insert proposal – we will get the proposal for 1 sign, and then approach him for the additional 5 signs if the proposal is reasonable. Josh is also talking with a street pole supplier recommended by Randy Chesney (City Engineer) about finding the best poles for the signs.

DRINKING GLASS FUNDRAISER:

Discussion on manning a table during the Farmer's Market to sell the remaining glasses this summer. The committee agreed to having members takes part in helping during the farmer's market (a committee could each take a month). Design mentioned that they could take May into June. The committee also talked about having the glass available for sale at the Curwood Castle during the Curwood Festival (talk to Robert Doran) and possibly having a small booth set up in the lawn of City Hall during the Curwood Parade.

FLOWER PROGRAM:

All planning is moving forward – we could use a few more gardeners to help out with flower-beds. A team of volunteers will be set up to look over the irrigation system and prep each bed for the gardeners. The main issue with the irrigation system is that the hoses are set way too deep into the soil.

Language for the Walking Tour map is complete (Lorraine will email it to Josh) and ready to be submitted to the printer. Bill stated that he will get moving on speaking with the previous year's sponsors for the map (for printing costs and additional gardening funds).

BIKE RACKS:

Bill and Josh need to set up a meeting with Baker College to talk about the bike racks, sponsorships, and a construction timeline.

DOWNTOWN CLEANUP:

The committee helped the cleanup efforts by developing a list of "to-dos" for the volunteers during the event.

I SPY GAME:

Susan confirmed that her husband, Fernando will help get the Work Plan started by taking the photos for the game. Susan will help with leading the Work Plan

CLEANING & PAINTING WORK PLAN:

Bill Gilbert agreed to be the initial Work Plan manager for this Work Plan to initiate contact with property owners and develop up "To Do" list with each cooperating owner. Once the lists get formed, the Work Plan will then be turned over to another manager (TBD).

NEW IDEAS:

Thomas Ainsworth mentioned the idea of having a "Canoe Day" launching from the downtown canoe launch. His vision is to develop it as a potential fundraiser for OMS. He will be looking into this.

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, May 19th.

Action Items:		
Action:	Assigned to:	Due Date:
Get proposal from Agnew & find mounting poles	Josh	5/31/15
Assign Market Booth Volunteers	Thomas & Lorraine	5/19/15
Talk to Flower Program Sponsors	Bill	5/12/15
Set up meeting date with Baker College	Bill & Josh	5/19/15
Get Fernando to start taking photos	Susan	5/19/15
Continue completing Flower Program Work Plan	Lorraine & Kathryn	5/19/15



MEETING NOTES

ER Committee Meeting Notes

Friday, April 17, 2015

12:00pm - 1:00pm @ Treasurers Restaurant

Purpose of Meeting: Regular, Monthly Meeting	Attendees:
	Lance Omer
Notes Prepared By: Lance Omer & Josh Adam	Josh Adams
Additional Information: None	Theresa Trecha
Monthly Hours Reported: 12	Lorraine Weckwert
	Rick Hebert
	Absent:
	Alaina Kraus

Notes: The meeting started out with a short discussion about the Market Study. During our last meeting the committee agreed to take a 6-week period to look the document over again to develop future actions from it. During the April meeting the committee agreed to look over the raw data associated with the report and come up with a few suggestions on how to use the information provided (recruitment tools, event tools, etc....)

BUSINESS VISITATION WORK PLAN:

The committee spent the remainder of their time together looking over the Business Visitation Work Plan and brainstorming the content and actions that are required to implement the plan. They are listed as follows:

- We need to create a list of possible "Ask Owosso" members the committee has came up with a list of 24 potential people that would be good fits with this program.
- Create a list of information and materials (tool kit) that teams would need the committee agreed that the following things are essential for the tool kit:
 - o Instructions on how communication works with OMS and the City
 - Calendar of Events
 - Downtown Parking Information
 - History of the businesses that each team will be visiting
 - Information gathering/collection materials
 - The committee agreed that each member should ask the businesses that they visit about the issues that they are facing each month. We feel that a list of concerns or issues that each business owner has will help us develop/grow our tool kit in a way that will custom-fit what each business owner needs.
- Create visitation sections for each team (blocks, areas) the committee agreed that rather than blocks or sections, the teams should be lined-up with businesses/business owners that they already have a relationship with (they know the owner or shop at the establishment). This will help create a positive relationship between the business and the team, which will aid in honest communication and cooperation.
- Team training information the committee agreed that the following information will need to be developed and presented during the team training session:
 - o Goals: What is the goal of this program & the teams?
 - o Expectations: What are we expecting from each team member (time, behavior, etc....)
 - Main Street Training: A light training about OMS will be needed

 Website Information: A tour of the OMS website will help them guide businesses to it for frequently asked questions and other information.

The committee agreed that we should have custom lanyards make up for each committee member (instead of t-shirts). We will talk to Hankerd to see associated costs.

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, May 29th.

Action Items: Action:	Assigned to:	Due Date:
Talk to potential team members	Rick & Josh	5/18/15
Gather information for the Tool Kit	Alaina, Rick, Lorraine, & Josh	5/18/15
Gather/Develop Training Material	Lance, Theresa, & Rick	5/18/15